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## Media Release

### **Update - Homicide Investigation August 30, 2010**

The Henry County Sheriff's Office is now releasing the name of the victim in this investigation, his name is Kenneth Wayne Booth, 51 year old male, of 1434 South Avenue, Eden, NC.

The Henry County Sheriff's Office would like to announce that Mark Anthony Vernon was arrested without incident at approx. 10:50 am today off of Old Leaksville Road in Ridgeway, VA. Vernon was arrested for the two outstanding warrants for Possession of stolen property and Possession of Ammunition by a convicted felon. The arrest came as a result of a Crimestoppers tip. We appreciate all of the help that the public has given in this investigation and we ask that the public continue to provide us with information. The homicide investigation is continuing.  
(The original Press release is attached below.)

The Henry County Sheriff's Office is investigating a homicide which occurred at 143 Meeks Road on Saturday, August 28, 2010 at approx. 8:00pm. The victim is a 51 year old male from Eden, NC. (Victim's name is being withheld pending notification of next-of-kin) The victim had been reported as being unresponsive and lying next to the driveway at 143 Meeks Road. When the first officer and EMS personnel arrived they discovered that there had been a shooting incident and the subject on Meeks Road was a homicide victim.

As a result of a search warrant executed for 143 Meeks Road arrest warrants have been issued for Mark Anthony Vernon, of the same address. Mark A. Vernon is a 45 year old male (see photo) and is wanted in reference to possession of stolen property and possession of ammunition by a convicted felon. Mark A. Vernon may be staying in the Ridgeway, VA or Eden, NC area. He may also be driving a faded black or Dark gray full-size pickup; a white Toyota pickup or a black Honda Accord (no further description available for these vehicles at this time).



This incident is under investigation and authorities are seeking any information about this incident. Anyone who may have information is requested to contact the Henry County Sheriff's Office at 276-638-8751.

The Crimestoppers Program offers reward money up to \$1000.00 for information related to crime. The nature of the crime and the substance of the information provided determine the amount of reward paid. Call Crimestoppers - 63-CRIME (632-7463).